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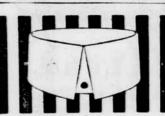
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mans are too far from the city to use anything but heavy guns effectively. The impressions of such a visit are too numerous to recall. I shall mention but one more. Behind the cathedral are cloisters that the guide books mention; they inclose a courtyard that was once decorated with statues of sunts. By some accident or miracle—there are always miracles in shelled towns—one of these images, perhaps that of the Madonna, has been lifted from its pedestal and thrown into the branches of a tree, which seems almost to hold it with outstretched arms.

At length we left the town, going out

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The Musterole Company, and yet you were glad of the buildings and there was reassurance in their shadows. Now we traveled in the open country; we began to climb across the face of a bare hill, and it was the face that fronted the Germans.

Presently the general's car stuck in

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Presently the general's car stuck in the mud and we halted, for a minute perhaps; then we went on; we passed a dead horse lying in the road, then, of a sudden, came that same terrible grinding, metallic crash; I have never seen any description of a heavy shell explosion that fitted it. Behind us we could see the black smoke rising from the ground in a suburb through which we had just come. I saw three explosions. A moment later we were at the gate of Fort de la Chaume, and we were warned not to stop, but to hasten in, for the Germans, whenever they see cars at this point, suspect that Joffre has arrived, or President Poincare, and act accordingly. We did not delay.

Forts But Empty Shells.

Fort de la Chaume is one of the many fortifications built since the Franco-Prussian war and intended to defend the city. Like all the rest, it ceased to have value when the German artillery had shown at Liege and at Namur that It was the master of the fort. Then the French left their forts and went out to trenches beyond and took with them the heavy guns

yond and took with them the heavy guns that the fort once boasted. Today Fort de la Chaume is just an empty shell, as empty as the old Vauban citadel in the valley below. And what is true of this fort is true of all the other forts of that famous fortress of Verdun, which is no longer a fortress, but a sector in the trench line that runs from the North Sea to Switzerland.

From the walls of the fort staff officers showed me the surrbunding country. I looked down on the city of Verdun, hiding under the shadow of its cathedral. I looked across the level Meuse valley, with its little river; I studied the wall of hills beyond. Somewhere in the tangle on the horizon was Douaumont, which the Germans held. Down the valley of the river in the haze was the town of Bras, which was French; beyond it the village of Vachreauville, which was German. Beyond the hills in the center of the picture, but hidden by them, were Le Mort Homme and Hill 304. Vardun is like a lump of sugar in a fingerbowl, and I was standing on the rim. It seemed utterly impossible that any one should even think of this town as a fortress or count its ashes as of meaning in the conflict.

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The War Invisible.

Somewhere in the background a French battery of heavy guns was firing and the sound was clear; but it did not suggest war, rather a blasting operation. The German guns were still again. There was a faint billowing roll

again. There was a faint billowing roll of gunfire across the river toward Douaumont, but very faint. As for trenches, soldiers, evidences of battle, they did not exist. I thought of Ralph Pulitzer's vivid story of riding to the Rheims front in a military aeroplane and seeing, of war, just nothing.

The geography of the Verdun country unrolled before us with absolute clarity; the whole relation of hills and river and railroads was unmistakable. But despite the faint sound of musketry, the occasional roar of a French gun, I might have been in the Berkshires, looking down on the Housatonic. Six miles to the north around Le Mort Homme that battle which has not stopped for two months was still going on Around Douaumont the overture was just starting, the overture to a stiff fight in the afternoon, but of all the circumstances of battle that one has read of, that one still vaguely expects to see, there was not a sign. If it suited their fancy the Germans could turn the hill on which I stood into a crater of ruin, as they did with Fort Loncin at Liege. We were well within range, easy range; we lived because they had no object to serve by such shooting, but we were without even a hint of their whereabouts.

Enemy Not to Be Seen.

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I have already described the military geography of Verdun. I shall not attempt to repeat it here, but it is the invisibility of warfare, whether examined from the earth or the air, which impresses the civilian. If you go to the trenches you creep through tunnels and cavities until you are permitted to peer through a peephole, and you see yellow

to be desperate. Doubtless, on occasion, we shall have many more descriptions of the destruction of this town, descriptions meant to impress Americans or encourage Germans. The material for such fires is not exhausted. The cathestal on the top of the hill is hardly shell-marked at all, and it will make a famous display when it is fired, as was famous display when famous display when it is fired, as was Rheims, as were the churches of Champagne and Artois.

But there is something novel in the thought of a city burned, not to make a Roman or even German holiday, but burned to make the world believe that the battle of Verdun had been a German victory.

The Madonna of the Tree.

For two hours we wandered about the town, exploring and estimating the effect of heavy gunfire, for the German successful and the churches of Champagne and Artois.

But there is something novel in the day's work it was to keep the roads open, the machinery running in the day's work it was to keep the roads open, the machinery running in the day's work it was to keep the roads open, the machinery running in the day's work it was to keep the roads open, the machinery running in the day's work it was to keep the roads open, the machinery running in the day's work it was to keep the roads open, the machinery running in the day's work it was to keep the roads open, the machinery running in the day's work it was to keep the roads open, the machinery running in the shell-cursed city. Every time they went that they might not return. For two months the storm had beaten about this rock, it had written its mark upon all these faces, and yet it had neither extinguished the light nor the laughter; the sense of strength and of cafinness was insert the meant all the years since the first storm came out of the north, and I think the same day's work it was to keep the roads open, the machinery running in the north, and I think the same day's work it was to keep the roads open, the machinery running in the shell-cursed city. Every time they went to make a Roman or even German holiday, but the total me his storm came out of the north, and I think the same day's work it was to keep the roads open, the machinery running in the state, cannot be overruled.

There was evidence, the court admits, There was since the first storm came out of the north, and I think the same day's work it was to keep the roads open, the machine

the town, exploring and estimating the discontinuous the discontinuou it under my bed. We talked many inad intended to sign it, but as he was suddenly called away from the only it imes before he died, and he told me all was, in fact, signed by an assistant su he knew of the fight, of the men about perintendent.

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The please was discovered by French games and the control of the contr creasing; it was rolling up like a rising gale, the infantry fire was becoming pronounced, the Germans were beging an attack upon Le Mort Homme. Just before sunset we passed through the Argonne forest and came out beyond. On a hill to the north, against the sky, the monument of Valmy stood out in clear relief, marking the hill where Kellermann had turned back another Prussian army. Then we slipped down into the plain of Chalons, where other

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According to these advices the

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French imprisoned twelve Greek citizens, and also the secretary of the
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troops on hospital ships, so as to avoid "The Greek government, the report states, has protested against the French action." the danger of torpedoing by submarines This chief of the British naval mission. Capt. Lecht, has been recalled, another Athens dispatch states.





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